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In re application of: Stefan Thiem

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For: Drive System for an Apparatus for Staining Specimens

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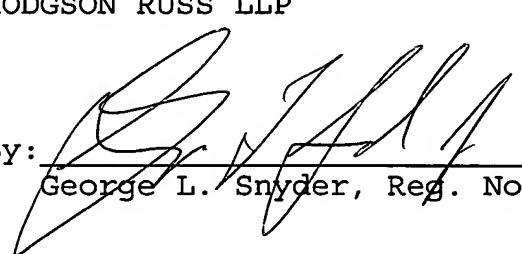
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